

Bigfork Steering Committee Minutes
September 10, 2009,
bigforksteering.org
Community Forum
(amended)

APPROVED

In attendance: Craig Wagner, Pat Wagner, Gary Ridderhoff, Edd Blackler, Paul Guerrant, James Losee, Sally Janover, Paul Rana

Chairman Craig Wagner called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m..

Agenda: The motion was made to adopt the agenda. (m/sc Losee/Guerrant) Passed

Minutes: The minutes for August 13, 2009 were approved as emailed. (m/sc Guerrant/Ridderhoff) Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Steve is out of town. Pat reported that we had received the bills for the Liability Ins and the D and O Insurance and given them to Steve so his next report will probably reflect this payment. We are also looking into covering The BLUAC at no extra cost. There has been much research done by a member of the BLUAC and individual members are not covered under County plans. We feel this is important for our elected members of the BLUAC.

Community Repots: Joe Brenneman asked to be excused as he was farming today!

Committee Reports:

North Lake County Planning: Paul Rana represented this committee. He read an email from Leslie Budewitz who heard the BSC might be disbanding. A suggestion was made to suggest disbanding and since our bylaws allow us to take a vote through email and voice, the suggestion was rejected by a vote of 4 to 1. (See Secretary's' notebook). (Leslie's letter is on file also) The North Lake County is continuing their efforts to establish a Land Use Advisory Board. We understand their dilemma and will try to help as much as possible but it does come down to funding.

Stormwater Committee : Paul Rana spoke for this committee. The work at the High School to prevent run off has been completed. The problem of the stormwater from the Schools parking lots draining into Flathead Bay and Lake has been completed. The Flathead Basin Committee also will be working with the Stormwater Committee. Edd Blackler brought to our attention that water from the School Bus Barn runs over the hill to the Saddlehorn Building and then down to the main streets. The Stormwater Committee will need to look into this matter. Paul also praised Debbie Pierson in the County Office for her excellent Grant writing which has helped get the Stormwater Committee funds for this initial project.

"Dark Sky" Shaded Lighting Committee: Drew Hubastek is the chairman of this committee and is currently working In Idaho. He has called us and wishes to remain as the chair. We have some printouts from his initial presentation that we can print out if any one wants them. There are also many sites on the internet for Shaded Lighting. Drew is also trying to get the power point presentation that he presented for us to use and be able to show.

Bigfork Information Committee: Edd Blackler is the Chairman and reported that DNRC is still talking about selling the School Trust Land in Woods Bay. This parcel is

widely used by residents as a recreational area. They are trying to work matters out with residents but are at a standstill due to semantics. Sally Janover also showed us her new camcorder and is going around taking pictures of sites and sounds of Bigfork which can be used to show future residents what life is like in Bigfork.

BLUAC: Al Johnson has written a letter to the County Commissioners regarding a zone change on the Bigfork Land Use Designated Map. (letter in Secretary's notebook) This letter explains how to accomplish accommodating a business with a Conditional Use Permit rather than changing a zone. He also has written a petition that can be signed by any Flathead County Resident. I have this petition and will be presenting on September 16th at the Commissioners meeting 10:00 am when their 30 day Public Comment is over.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:55 pm

Pat Wagner, Secretary